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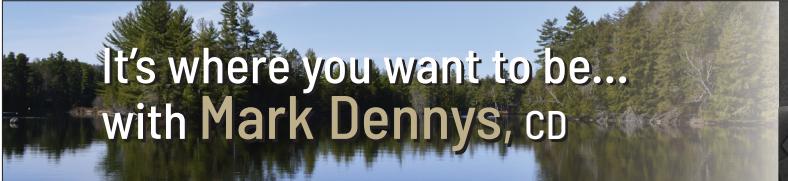
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Star-crossed lovers launch festival

Kyle Simpson and Hannah Klose play Romeo and Juliet at Highlands Summer Festival in Haliburton. Opening night was Monday. You can catch Shakespeare's iconic play until Tuesday, July 10. The festival includes live theatre throughout July and into August. See more on page 10.
/Photo by Lorne Campbell



Council increases remuneration to offset end of tax break

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Staff Reporter

Haliburton County councillors will increase their remuneration at the upper-tier level so that their take-home pay remains the same, in light of federal income tax changes.

As part of its 2017 budget, the federal

government introduced changes to the Income Tax Act that are set to come into effect in 2019. They include the removal of an income tax exemption that's existed until now, where municipal elected officials were only taxed on two-thirds of their income.

"Historically, the one-third exemption was meant to compensate municipal elected officials for additional expenses incurred to their duties but not officially

claimed," read a report from county treasurer Elaine Taylor.

Taylor's report laid out three options for councillors. Option A was to keep existing remuneration with no mitigation measures, meaning councillors would have seen their take-home income fall.

Option B was to keep existing remuneration and for councillors to bill additional

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Sanctuary saves birds at Ottawa Bluesfest

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

When it comes to saving animals, Monika Melichar of the Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary regularly goes above and beyond. Remember the doe with an arrow in its head found in Haliburton during the winter? That was her rescue. Mirabelle the deer is still recovering at Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary.

Last week, when workers at the Ottawa Bluesfest found a killdeer's nest sitting where their main stage was set to be built, she came to the rescue again.

Killdeer are not endangered, but are a federally protected migratory species under the Canada's Migratory Birds Convention Act. Protection means no one can disturb, remove, damage or destroy the nests without approval.

This nest was discovered on Friday, June 22 on the grounds of the Canadian War Museum at LeBreton Flats. The National Capital Commission is the custodian of the property, which is owned by the federal government. Bluesfest contacted the NCC about the discovery, which then hired a security guard to protect the nest, which was taped off. Organizers subsequently got federal government approval to have the nest moved and then put out a public call for help.

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MPP Laurie Scott named Minister of Labour

Local MPP Laurie Scott was sworn in as Minister of Labour in the new Progressive Conservative government during a ceremony on Friday, June 29.

"I am honoured to be joining cabinet as the Minister of Labour," Scott said in a statement.

"My colleagues and I are looking forward to getting to

work for the people of Ontario."

She said it was an honour to represent the people of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

Scott was previously the Opposition Critic for Community Safety and Women's Issues.

Councillors say tax change unfair

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expenses to the county. Option C was to increase remuneration to offset the increased level of income taxation, thereby keeping council's take-home pay the same.

As Taylor's report explained, "Remuneration for council members is composed of two pieces; per diems for council meetings and per diems for other meetings. Currently, both types of per diems are only two-thirds taxed. Both of these per diems are included in our analysis."

The county warden is paid a per diem of just more than \$1,420 per council meeting, the deputy warden just more than \$750, and councillors each about \$670. Council meetings typically happen once a month.

For advisory committee meetings, council members are each paid \$75 per meeting, or \$125 if the meeting happens to run beyond a certain time limit. Advisory committee meetings also typically take place once a month.

For 2017, the warden received about \$20,000 in per diem payments, most members of county council in the \$9,000 to \$11,000 range, at the upper tier level.

Haliburton County council consists of the mayor and deputy mayors of each of the county's four lower-tier municipalities. Local politicians are compensated both at the lower-tier and upper-tier level. The mayors each make about \$30,000 at the lower-tier level (with the exception of Dysart et al, where the figure for 2019 will be \$26,500), and deputy mayors somewhere in the low \$20,000s.

Option A would have seen an expected drop in take-home pay for the warden of about \$1,840, about \$545 for the deputy warden, and somewhere between \$160 and \$380 for other members of county council.

Option B included an estimated increase in costs of at least \$27,000; an estimate Taylor admitted was likely conservative.

Option C increases the per diem for council meetings by about \$200 for the warden, by about \$60 for the deputy warden and about \$25 for other members of council. Committee meeting per diems will increase by \$5, and by \$10 for extended meetings.

The anticipated increase in costs equate to about \$7,000 per year. County councillors receive an inflation cost of living increase each year based on what is received by staff.

Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts said she preferred Option A, saying the taxpayers shouldn't have to take the hit.

"I don't like that they're changing this, but I don't want to see . . . it's going to cost the taxpayer more with Option C," Roberts said. "I was willing, this time around, to take the hit."

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"I'm absolutely not willing to take the hit," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt, whose preference was Option C. "I work full-time hours for part-time pay, and I think the fairest thing is to have the net take-home pay the same."

"We all know we don't do it for the money," Moffatt said, but added it was unfair council members should be expected to take a pay decrease.

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey asked if the tax changes had been finalized by the federal government.

"I don't believe it is finalized yet," said CAO Mike Rutter, who added there had been some advocacy to keep the exemption in place for elected officials below a certain income threshold. Rural municipal politicians are typically paid at a rate lower than their urban counterparts. However, local politics in small communities is often considered a part-time job, while in cities it's considered full-time work.

"Is it not something the new council should decide?" Fearrey asked, in reference to the municipal election taking place province-wide Oct. 22.

"I think we should decide for the new council," said Highlands East Deputy Mayor and County Warden Suzanne Partridge.

"I agree," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen. "I think we should decide for the new council, so they're not put in a position of giving themselves a raise."

"They need to know, when they are going into it, what their compensation's going to be."

Danielsen also preferred Option C, indicating she personally couldn't afford a cut in compensation.

"When I quit working in order to do this, there was a point beyond which I couldn't go, and I couldn't afford to take a hit," she said.

Ultimately, the majority of council favoured Option C, with Roberts and Fearrey, both preferring Option A, voting against the motion.

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It's going to cost the taxpayer more with Option C.

— Andrea Roberts

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Killdeer eggs hatch before festival

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Melichar responded and made the three-plus hour drive from the Blair-Hampton area on Tuesday afternoon.

"They were looking for a rehab centre that had a permit to incubate eggs of migratory, and, thus, federally protected birds. We hold that special permit, so I extended an offer to help out," Melichar wrote in an email to the *Echo*. "I was under the impression they only needed an egg incubator. Even though they have a wildlife centre in Ottawa that specializes in birds, that centre did not hold a permit for collecting and incubating eggs of protected species."

After Environment Canada gave the OK, a platform for the nest was constructed. Melichar moved the killdeer's nest with four eggs incrementally. She started her move on Tuesday at 5 p.m.

"The killdeer built their nest in a location that was made of cobblestone, and surrounded by gravel pathways and then grass," Melichar said. "Our task was to move the nest at one metre increments, every 20 minutes or so. We had to be slow and patient, allowing the birds to resume incubation after every small move. It actually went textbook perfect! We made it across the different terrains without any problems. The whole procedure took us about six hours to accomplish. Tuesday evening we only moved them eight metres so the next morning, at the crack of dawn (5 a.m.) we continued until the mission was accomplished at around 8 a.m. The final stage was the most difficult as we moved the eggs delicately into the new nesting area."

The nest was eventually moved like this up to 25 metres away from where the

main stage was erected.

On Saturday, June 30, Bluesfest organizers announced that the eggs had hatched.

According to CBC, three of the four eggs hatched on Saturday and the fourth on Sunday. However, by the time the fourth bird hatched, the mother and three babies had left the nest. The remaining chick is being cared for at the Wild Bird Care Centre in Ottawa until it can be released into the wild.

Melichar was shocked how much media attention the situation got.

"What an adventure! Yes, Ottawa was quite the media circus! I cannot even remember who interviewed me but there were at least five different media reps there ... I know CBC did a morning show and a video, then there was the *Ottawa Citizen*, CTV, etc., ... it was quite the zoo," she wrote in an email to the *Echo*. Reports also appeared in *The Globe and Mail*, *National Post*, *Washington Post* and the BBC.

The additional attention may be helpful for the Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary, which relies on donations.

"It's so important to promote wildlife conservation efforts, and how we help here at the sanctuary," she said.

Mark Monahan, Bluesfest executive director and event founder, didn't know how it was going to turn out since all of the experts were pessimistic.

"Many of them were saying, 'Look, it is not possible. It's highly unlikely the birds will follow the nest.' So, our expectations weren't high. In fact, one of the reasons we had Monika come down was her ability to incubate the eggs. Our thought was: this may not work out. Therefore the eggs are going to have to go to her wildlife cen-



Ottawa Bluesfest will go on as planned thanks to the efforts of Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary's Monika Melichar, seen in this photo moving the killdeer nest on Tuesday, June 26. Melichar received international attention for her efforts to move the bird's nest away from where the main stage was to be set up. /Photo submitted

tre. Honestly, it worked beyond our wildest dreams," he said.

Although two biologists with the NCC made the tray for the nest to be moved, they were not licensed or prepared to do what Melichar did, particularly with the attention of the international media.

"It was quite the international story. People were leery about jumping in and obviously if it was unsuccessful [no one] wants to get tagged with this thing, right?" Monahan said.

He hopes the publicity can alert the public to the work people like Melichar do.

"It's important to cast a light on the work these folks do with very little funding, if any, from the government and most of them are surviving on donations or just hand-to-mouth existence. It's really tough, but it's really a labour of love for

these folks and again if this can sort of cast a little light how important it is the work these folks do then all the better," he said.

Along with a donation to the sanctuary, Bluesfest provided Melichar with accommodations, meals, a T-shirt, socks and a toothbrush during her work to move the nest – and free passes to any of the shows.

Monahan hopes Melichar can return to enjoy the event.

Asked if he'd call her again with a wildlife emergency, he replied that her number is now on his speed dial.

Melichar was happy to help.

"Honestly, I cannot believe it was me who helped save the biggest music festival in Canada!" she wrote.

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Ella Stamp paints whiskers on Mathias Lee at the West Guilford Canada Day celebration on Sunday afternoon.



These girls were fishing up fun in West Guilford on Canada Day. From left, Danielle Chambers, Joni Carefoote and Jalynn Chambers.



West Guilford's Citizen of the Year award was given to Kathleen Owens at the Canada Day celebrations on Sunday. From left, George Cooper, Owens and Aaron Walker hold the plaque given out annually.

Owens named Citizen of the Year

JENN WATT

Editor

West Guilford volunteer and musician Kathleen Owens was this year's recipient of the Citizen of the Year award at Canada Day celebrations at the West Guilford Community Centre on Sunday.

The annual honour was bestowed upon Owens for her commitment to the church and her community over the years.

Her nephew, George Cooper, gave out the honour and started with a speech detailing Owens's life, starting in Maple Lake. She is the eldest of four sisters born to Elsie and Neilson Owens, Cooper said, and they were all there for her special day: Eleanor, June and Mavis.

The family moved away when their father found carpentry work in Barrie. Later, Owens took a business course in Toronto and then moved back to the Highlands, where she worked at the Frost Centre for more than three decades.

While she lived in the Pine Springs community, her "real home" was with Eleanor and Earl Cooper in West Guilford.

George Cooper called Owens an "extra parent" to the Cooper kids.

She's been a steadfast member of the Maple Lake United Church, where she has played piano for decades. She has also volunteered at Extendicare and Highland Wood long-term care homes in Haliburton.

Aaron Walker, master of ceremonies at the Canada Day celebration, said the award was "very deserved."

"Another shining example of all the amazing people in this community that volunteer to make it what it is," Walker said.

Owens said being named Citizen of the Year was a great honour.

"I didn't do any of these things all by myself; I had help. But I'm grateful to be part of this community and be associated with the Maple Lake United Church as long as I have," she said.

As usual, celebrations in West Guilford included games and competitions, hot food and cold ice cream and fireworks to top it off.

Walker opened the event with a brief speech, asking those assembled to remember Earl Cooper, who played the pipes at the inaugural West Guilford Canada Day in 1981. Earl died in March.

"Today we honour and remember Earl Cooper and thank him for the example he set of volunteering in his community whenever called upon and for the example of good citizenship for all of us to follow," he said.

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Lauren Farlinger, left, and Macy Love were this year's flag raisers.

Celebrating Canada in Wilberforce

Top left, Bethany Houghton and Ernie Demuth entertained the crowd in the backyard of the Red Cross Outpost Museum in Wilberforce on Canada Day.

Bottom left, Jill Lee, a member of the auxiliary and a board member on the Wilberforce Heritage Guild, brings out trays of red and white cupcakes. Lee's mother was one of the nurses who worked at the Red Cross Outpost in the 1930s. Middle, The Wechula-Reeve family cools down by the water. The family was up at their cottage and decided to come into Wilberforce to join the celebrations.

Bottom right, Highlands East Councillor Joan Barton opens Canada Day festivities dressed in her patriotic colours. She told the crowd they all looked hot, eliciting chuckles from the audience who came out in 33°C heat. Environment Canada issued a heat warning on Sunday with the humidex making it feel more like 41. /JENN WATT Staff



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Sanctuary comes through again

THE HIGHLANDS' own Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary made headlines again this week as Monika Melichar made her way to Ottawa to assist the Bluesfest organizers in saving a killdeer nest.

The bird's nest was directly in the path of the main stage of the huge music festival and needed to be moved out of the way. If the bird decided not to return to the nest, the eggs would need to be incubated. Problem is, very few organizations have the special permit to incubate the eggs of migratory birds.

Thinking she was going to Ottawa to gather the eggs, Melichar found herself instead working to move the nest at painstakingly small increments.

And it worked. On Saturday, she got the news that three of the four eggs had hatched. The next day the fourth egg also hatched, but at that point the mother and her three chicks had left. The Wild Bird Care Centre in Ottawa is taking care of the fourth chick until it's ready to go out on its own.

This is the second high-profile save from Melichar in the last six months. Readers will recall the deer that was found wandering Haliburton with an arrow protruding from its head. Melichar was instrumental in organizing its capture and rehabilitation in Muskoka. (The deer, named Mirabelle, is still recovering at the sanctuary there.)

As we've previously written, the Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary operates on a few grants and public donations. There is no government funding for this kind of work.

If you value what they're doing, consider donating. Without wildlife sanctuaries, there would be no one available for wild animals in distress. And after last week's rescue, it's obvious just how important their service is.



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It's becoming obvious that obstacles are plentiful when it comes to creating a crosswalk at the corner of York/Cedar Ave. and Highland St. in Haliburton.

Last week, Dysart et al council discussed the courtesy pedestrian crosswalk, which was planned in 2015 but never came to pass. Turns out, legislation has changed and courtesy crosswalks are no longer part of Highway Traffic Act or Ontario Traffic Manual.

Councillors discussed options for pedestrian safety, which included signage and road painting.

Even if the option of a courtesy crosswalk is no longer available, something needs to be done about this stretch of road. With the bustling farmers' market and the business coming in and out of Baked and Buttered along with the draw of the park and the already busy intersection, we need something to be done.

The Echo office sits at the corner of this busy intersection and one staff member here likens the challenge of getting across the road to the video game Frogger. You feel like you're taking a big risk when you cross the street – especially in the summer.

Signage is a great start. Council will need to keep an eye on the problem and be willing to continue working on it until we find a way of making that stretch of Main Street safer.

Another note on traffic: Since the skate park opened on Mountain Street, more kids are crossing the street near the municipal building. Keep your eyes peeled when you're driving around the bend onto Maple Ave. A lot of those kids are on scooters and skateboards and might not see you.

Editorial

Crosswalk solution



Welcoming bench on Rail Trail

by Darren Lum

Reputation

IT'S CANADA DAY and I'm in Ottawa with my family. I'm having a full on proud to be Canadian weekend.

We are staying with friends who we love, and that is the perfect foundation for celebrating.

Our weekend started with attending the sunset evening musical ride of the RCMP.

Watching those horses and riders work together was very moving.

I kind of thought it was like watching a horse ballet. Every horse had to be in the right place to make it work. When we all stood for the national anthem at the end it brought tears to my eyes.

Thousands of people singing together in English and French just makes a girl feel connected and very proud.

On Saturday our daughter was attending a prom with her friend.

We were all invited to the "pre-pre" prom where everyone takes pictures and the parents socialize.

Jim and I met many interesting people and eventually ended up sitting in a gazebo (wow, it was hot) with one of the friendliest men I've ever met.

His son was graduating and he was very proud.

He and his wife came from England 14 years ago with their two young sons.

They love living in Canada and

have never once questioned their decision to come.

At some point we mentioned that we were from Haliburton and he said to us "I love where you live. I can't tell you how much I love driving in your area and listening to Canoe FM. That radio station is the very best. I think it represents the very best of Canada. I've never heard better community radio anywhere."

And of course Jim and I puffed right up and took it as a personal compliment and went on to talk about all of our connections to the volunteers and staff of Canoe FM. There are so many stories to tell.

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Romeo and Juliet: One man's opinion

After dinner on Canada Day, Jenn and I went to see a preview of *Romeo and Juliet*, which is one of the productions being performed this year by the Highlands Summer Festival. It was, in a word, fantastic. When you get the opportunity, you should see it. You'll get full value for your money.

The acting was astonishingly good, the set was superb, the lighting was state of the art, the music perfect, the costumes marvellous. I can't say enough about how professional and talented everyone in that group of people is. We are truly lucky to have these gifted performers and behind-the-scenes folks in our community. They just get better every year and they truly deserved the standing ovation they got.

Having said that, I do have a few suggestions that I think might make *Romeo and Juliet* a bit better – you know, so maybe one day it might stand the test of time.

First, I think it would be improved by less smooching and hugging. Look, I know these outward displays of affection are needed to convey the fact that Romeo and Juliet love each other. I just happen to think a lot of the kissing could have been replaced by light punches in the shoulder or perhaps firm handshakes. Maybe even a high five if things really got hot and heavy. You know, just like normal people do.

Also, I don't think anyone in the audience would argue that we would have welcomed a few more sword fights. The sword fight scenes were excellent, I think in part because there was no kissing.

The play also suffered from the lack of a car chase scene – and that's completely understandable since it was set in medieval times, presumably before the advent of the internal combustion engine and traffic lights. But that doesn't mean there couldn't have been a cart chase scene, especially, if they incorporated a sword fight in one. And no kissing.

Just imagine how much better the play would have been if Romeo was on one cart fighting Paris on another, while both were racing down the narrow streets of Verona toward a cliff or munitions dump.

Also, with a few well-placed jokes, a goofy wingman, a frenemy plot line, and three less deaths at the end, this could have been a fairly solid romantic comedy. Opportunity missed.

My last criticism was regarding the trellis climbing scenes. There were a lot of them, which in itself isn't a bad thing. A good trellis climbing scene generally has a lot of entertainment value. As an audience member, you wonder will the trellis hold the climber's weight? Is it attached securely to the wall? Will it suddenly let go and will our hero waver like a windshield wiper hilariously between the ground and his destination?

Unfortunately, Shakespeare missed those chances. Instead, at the end of every trellis climbing scene, he wrote in kissing scenes.

Again, I get it. After all, *Romeo and Juliet* is primarily a love story (even though not once while professing her love did Juliet ever say she'd help him pick worms for an upcoming fishing trip).

Once more, let me just point out that this is no reflection on the Highlands Summer Festival folks. They did an excellent job with the script they were given.

Next time let's hope they pick something written by a famous playwright.



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pic of the past

This photo is of haying at the farm owned by Linda Coneybear's grandparents, Arthur and Mary Oliver, at Buckslide Road and Highway 35, around 1935. "Big farm horses, Belgians, used to bring in the hay. You can see the highway and the lake and one of the barns. I expect my grandfather is one of the men in the hayfield," she writes.

letters to the editor

Amazing people of Haliburton

To the Editor,

There are truly amazing people in Haliburton. This week I have had the opportunity to once again see what great and honest people we have in Haliburton. Last week I inadvertently left my iPad on the bench in between Foodland and Shoppers Drug Mart. I was gone for five minutes before I realized it and raced back. Of course it was gone.

I inquired at several of the stores and restaurants around and some took my name in case. I figured it was lost forever as did many of my friends. However, through word of mouth via high school students it got back to one of our local doctors. When the person who found it casually mentioned that they found one and wondered what should they do, the doctor told them that his son who was in Grade 9 knew one of the people on the contact list.

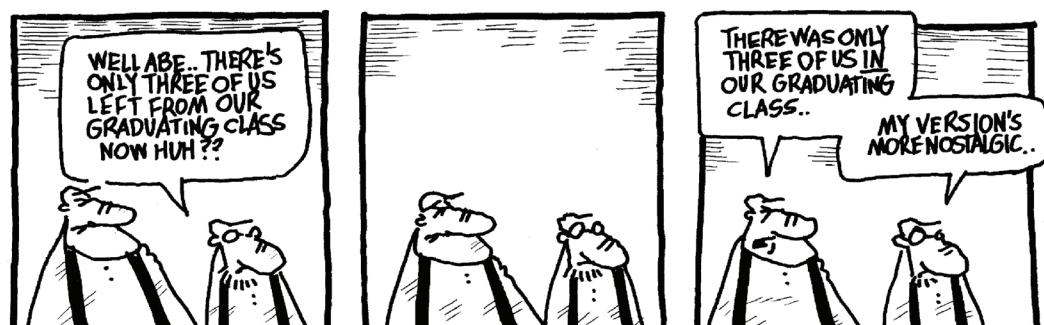
The couple that found the iPad then called

me to see if I knew a certain person and if they had lost something recently. Although baffled at first, I soon realized that it was my iPad they had found. I met the wife of the man who found it and a nicer person you couldn't find. Although I offered a reward, she refused stating that she hoped if she had lost something someone would return it to her.

To all who passed the message around, to the stores who took my information, to the Grade 9 extended French students who spoke about it to one another and got the word out, to the doctor who took the time and talked to his patients and *most of all* to the couple that found and returned it, I wish to say a sincere and heartfelt thank you. To me, you have shown what the Haliburton community stands for – honesty, integrity and kindness. Thank you.

Trudy Hawthorne

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Tools available for budding musicians

I had a chance to visit Canoe FM with library administrative support co-ordinator Julie Thornton. She went to Canoe on a personal mission to try recording her singing and learn about the possibilities there. I accompanied her, the same way I intend to do with any community members hoping to learn about sound production. We were shown around the sound studio by Canoe FM staff member Phil McCabe. He gave us an overview of the sound editing software they use called Adobe Audition. He explained various methods for singing into the microphone, how to avoid certain feedback issues and much more. Phil coached Julie through her first go at singing into the microphone, then he walked us through the sound clip, ways to adjust flaws or trouble spots in the recording, ways to layer sound and more.

The three of us talked at length about the ample opportunities available to the public at Canoe FM:

- Sign up to use Radio Hall/sound studio to record your song, story, commercial etc.
- Explore the station and how it operates.
- Mentor with a staff member or volunteer to learn

about sound editing and production.

- Learn about opportunities to volunteer as a radio host etc.
- Use Radio Hall as a meeting place or performance venue.

In my role as community of making animator, I am happy to assist people who are interested in getting started with any of the opportunities listed above. I encourage folks to call me with their ideas and I will connect them with the most appropriate support available. In the Dysart branch, our iMac station, which is available for three hours blocks of time, has Adobe Audition for anyone who wishes to tinker with sound editing at no cost. Combined with experience at Canoe FM, a budding musician could really dip their feet into sound recording and editing via Community of Making's shared resources!

Noelia Marziali
Community of Making Animator
Haliburton County Public Library



Julie Thornton tries out the recording equipment at Canoe FM. The Community of Making resources can help you record all sorts of things. /Photo submitted

Bugs, Slugs & Airplanes

"OK, my turn," Twinkle says, scratching his head through a brown mesh bug shirt. We are all sitting on my screened in porch playing our annual summer game: "Bugs, Slugs and Airplanes," don'tcha know.

"What are the size of golf balls and live all over your head?"

"Oh, that too easy, Twin-Twin," Vilma says, who has

Maybelle's



Fireside stories

got a nickname for every Tom, Dick, and Twinkle. "Skeeter bites!"

"Grrrrrrrrr," Sybil Beauchamp Hughes growls. "They love my hair. Can't get enough of my poor scalp! Feel this," she says, grabbing 'ol Maybelle's hand and running it along her scalp at the base of her poofy hairdo. "You feel that? It's like being on the 19th hole at Pinestone! Except you hit it with a club and there's no way it'll go in the hole. It's too

BIG. It's not a ball, it's an airplane!"

Then we hear it. All of us. That unnerving high pitched buzzing sound that only dogs and skeeter victims can hear from miles away. In a nano-second we are all holding brightly coloured orange bug racquets and swatting the air this way and that, just missing each other.

"Quick, Twinkle, behind you!" I yell. Twinkle turns and misses him/her/it.

Now, we're all running around like screaming banshees. Oh, not only do we bring food to our summer pot-

lucks, we bring our tennis racquet looking thingies with us, too ... and bug spray. Somehow, a skeeter made it into our sanctuary and is dive-bombing us.

"I got it!" Beanpole Starkman shrieks. "You can all relax. The critter is now toast!"

"Skeeter season ain't for sissies," I say, getting down from a chair, my shoulders loosening from being glued to my hairline. "OK, back to our game. Who wants to go next?"

"Me me me me me," Vilma says. She rolls her baby blues, takes a deep breath and asks: "What makes hostas look like doilies?"

"Doilies?" Sybil queries in her thick British accent. "I know. SLUGS! Nasty critters. They sleep all day and eat holes in your hostas by night. Well, I'll have none of it. Hostas have rights, too," she says. "I certainly don't like killing things... you all know that."

"Sure do," Twinkle says. "I've seen you save spiders and even flies."

"But I draw the line at mosquitos and slugs," Sybil says pointing to herself. "I lure the slugs with beer, and sure enough, they go for a swim and glug glug glug, that's it. They're done. History. Crazy thing is, I feel a pang of guilt when they drown, but pish posh, what choice do I have? It's either let them creepy-crawl amuck and devastate my garden down to stems, or protect my pretty plants?"

Vilma grabs her ukulele and strums a few chords. "May-May," she says to me, "I wrote this song for my sweetie, but I share with you and Sybil and everybody."

She sings:

"Late at night when the bed bugs bite, I'm in bed lookin' for you.

Late at night when the bed bugs bite, I'm in bed lookin' for you

Late at night when the bed bugs bite, Stanley why do you run from me?

Can't you see I'm in love with you?

What's a little bug or two?"

"Nice song, Vilma," Twinkle says. "Where is Officer McB anyway?"

And right then, as if on cue, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom drives up in his police cruiser with all the lights swirling.

"Oh, Stanley!" Vilma shrieks, her porcelain face turning crimson. Why you could hear her heart racing like a Cuisinart on max as she jumps to her feet, races out the door and is in the arms of her sweetie before you can say: "Please no necking in front of the adults."

Now, Manly Stanley enters with one arm around Vilma and the other holding out a freshly baked strawberry/rhubarb pie. "Sorry, I'm late, but I promised I'd bake something for the potluck. Here you go, Maybelle," he says, handing me a picture purrfect pie sure to put another handle on my hips.

But that isn't the only thing that comes in with Stanley. Buzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzz. We're being dive-bombed again.

And THAT, dear reader, is how it goes as we all know.

Oh, how lucky we are if that's the worst thing that happens in our lives. After all, as Vilma's little song asks: "What's a little bug or two?"

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Cadden. Jerelyn's novel, *Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon*, is available at amazon.com.

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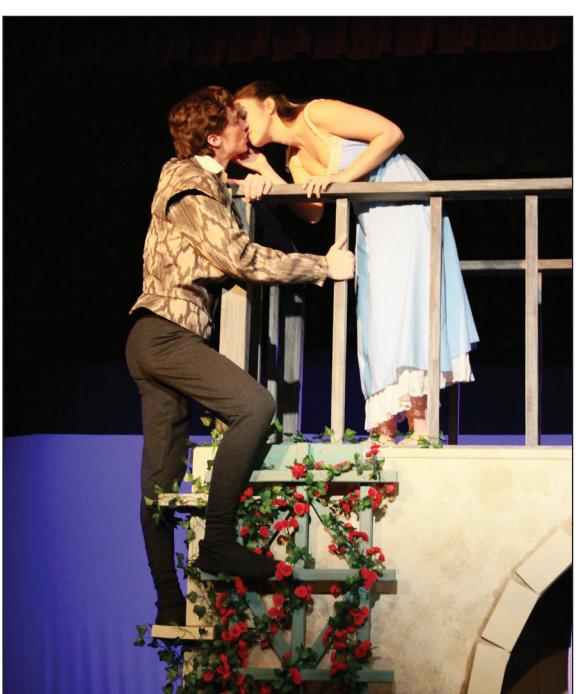
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Above, the families of Romeo and Juliet find the lovers dead. From left, Simpson and Klose, Christine Jonas-Simpson, Doug MacNaughton, Tom Regina and Guy Pritchard. Left, Romeo and Juliet exchange a kiss. /Photos by Lorne Campbell



Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce president Richard Wannan, middle, announces the launch of the #BuyCloseBy campaign on Thursday at the chamber office in Haliburton. This campaign is part of a plan to improve the economy./DARREN LUM Staff

Shoppers asked to #BuyCloseBy

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Two days before the Canada Day long weekend, the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce launched the #BuyCloseBy campaign and invited guests such as Amanda Virtanen with Haliburton County's tourism department and representatives from area associations to its office in Haliburton.

#BuyCloseBy is a loyalty program that will increase the public's awareness of local shops, services and businesses; engage consumers on keeping dollars in the area; and educate them on how spending locally is beneficial for everyone.

Chamber president Richard Wannan said this campaign is a long-term approach to doing business for the good of everyone in the county. He said this effort could be an historically significant moment to look back on with pride.

"The spark is there. Let's build that fire and make #BuyCloseBy an initiative that we're proud of and something 20 years from now [we will] sit back and go, 'We were there the day it was launched and got to see the rewards it's reaped and got to see and economy that's 12 months strong and 12 months supportive,'" he said.

What this campaign will fully entail was not revealed at the announcement.

This group, which includes Haliburton County Home Builders Association and the Algonquin Gateway Business Association, is receiving funding from the Haliburton County Development Corporation through the Local Initiatives Program and support from Haliburton County and Highlands East.

The program comes from an idea that was started by Highlands East and was championed by area business owner Ann Corrigan, who worked with the Highlands Economic Development and Business Advisory Committee and then developed a marketing plan. The chamber has taken her idea and developed it further in hopes of changing the way people shop and think of local businesses.

Highlands East Councillor and advisory committee chairperson Cec Ryall said whenever anything gets done in Highlands East it is a group effort. However, there is always a champion behind these efforts and "if you want to thank anybody, thank Ann."

Corrigan is excited about #BuyCloseBy being developed further.

"The reality is we needed to focus as an entire county and we're on the team. What affects Highlands East affects all of us so we need to grow it together as a team. I'm not very comfortable with my name being attached because I want to be seen very much on the team," she said. Corrigan said it was an idea she had thought of for awhile.

"For whatever reason it just popped into my head," she said.

Ryall said the spark was the results of the Business and Retention and Expansion Survey. It included 10 recommendations/questions such as, how do we make a better opportunity for people to buy locally?

Corrigan said the idea of #BuyCloseBy was shared at a stakeholders meeting, which included representatives from around the county, including Haliburton County staff and the chamber of commerce. Now she is a board member with the chamber.

"I'm engaged now and see something really cool happening that we're growing as a community that is bigger than just our corner and this is a new attitude and it's really exciting to be part of," she said.

Wannan pointed to one key question to further the concept of #BuyCloseBy: How do we get the people in our community to realize the jewels and gems that are already here?

Ultimately, he hopes to see year-round sustainable employment and economic growth.

Reducing out-of-community and online shopping by just 10 to 15 per cent, he said, would be a significant difference to the economy.

"This isn't just a marketing strategy. Marketing is critical for people to understand, but then we need to have deliverables that will give other tools for us to work with," he said.

There will be education available, expansion of marketing possibilities for businesses, social media presence, look at service delivery, and how to work with government regulation.

"As a community we need to share our successes and we need our community to say why they should be here," Wannan said. "We can never stop online shopping or out-of-town shopping ... but what we can do is make our community realize the value of ourselves."

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The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce launched the #BuyCloseBy campaign in hopes of raising awareness about the importance of shopping locally.



Wilberforce students headed to HHSS

Carol Greenwood and Gail Gotter were on-hand to present the graduating class at Wilberforce Elementary School with special cooking certificates and goodie bags for their participation in the Let's Cook program. The grads also helped to prepare the food served after the ceremony. /OLIVIA ROBINSON Staff



Sheena Boakes poses with the Grade 8 award for most improved student at the Wilberforce Elementary School graduation ceremony.



Nikita Watson accepts her valedictorian award, an honour that was selected by her fellow graduates at Wilberforce Elementary School. Watson was also honoured with the Academic Award, the French Award plus the Canadian Parents for French Award.



They deserve a hand

Teacher Allison Perecko smiles for a photo from her sister-in-law Kim Brown at the Clap Out at SBES on June 28. Perecko is retiring this year along with Alison O'Connor and Marit LaPierre. /JENN WATT Staff



Taking it all in, from front to back, Isla Dobbins, Macie Bjelis, Emma McGregor, Natasha Willis, and Isaac Borgdorff, make their way down the hall on their last day at SBES.



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Four valedictorians address JDHES

OLIVIA ROBINSON

Staff Reporter

It was a crowded podium at the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School graduation ceremony as four valedictorians took turns at the microphone to address their fellow graduates.

Kiera Casey, Bella Smolen, Tegan Wood and Jackson Wilson were voted by the students to deliver the valedictorian address. Tegan acknowledged the unusual nature of having four valedictorians.

"It's to introduce the fact that pretty much all of you know someone up here on some sort of personal level. It's to provide diversity of students through their personality," he said. "Since there are four of us up here, we know certain people that one of us may not. Through our connections to each other, we can connect with all of you in this room."

Jackson spoke to the period of transition in the lives of these young graduates, having begun five years ago in the transition to J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School.

"We were all new to this school at one

time, and the experience of change is universal and one that we'll all continue to experience not only through our careers, but through to adulthood," said Wilson. "Transitions can be scary but necessary to move forward in life."

Many students were already thinking above and beyond the next four years at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Students were asked to describe where they saw themselves in 10 years. The results ranged from careers in veterinary and medical sciences, the NHL, photography, animation, architecture, media, the Canadian Forces, and environmental con-

servation. Regardless of their professions, it was clear that the graduating students at JDHES plan to make a difference.

Bella spoke to how teachers at JDHES taught her class to advocate for others and rely on each other to succeed, which included sending care packages to Attawapiskat First Nation during the suicide crisis.

"When I was going into Grade 7, I started to realize that our school wasn't just a place to learn math, English or science," echoed Kiera. "We're a small part of this community in Haliburton and we have the ability to make a big impact."



Bella Smolen, one of four J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School valedictorians, delivered a passionate and reflective speech to her fellow graduates.



The senior boys volleyball team presented coach Ed Poropat with a signed volleyball and framed photograph at the graduation ceremony. /OLIVIA ROBINSON Staff

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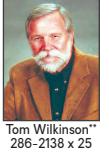
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Grads advised to ‘savour this moment’

JENN WATT

Editor

Necks craned and eyes gleamed as friends and family watched the Class of 2018 enter the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School auditorium on Thursday evening.

The students followed piper Andrew Mansfield for the special event – a long-held tradition. Teacher Brett Caputo ushered them through the correct door, reminding them to slow down and take it all in.

This is the beginning of something important, vice-principal David Waito told the grads. Commencement is a rite of passage.

As is his tradition, principal Dan Marsden delivered his speech using lyrics from popular musicians such as Carrie Underwood and Ludacris. He said life will deliver curve-balls and what mattered was how you responded to them. “Live by choice, not by chance,” he said, before advising the students to recognize you only graduate high school once.

“There is a last time for everything. Savour this moment.”

Owen Patterson Smith wrapped up the events of the evening – and of the last 18 years – into a meaningful message in his valedictorian address on Thursday evening.

The message of mindfulness wasn’t lost on valedictorian Owen Patterson Smith, who used his time at the podium to put the last 18 years in perspective globally and locally. During the grads’ lives, massive political change has happened, he said. He chose to focus on the positive changes, including improvements in literacy, green technology and the advent of the smartphone.

“In 2000, nobody would have guessed that we would have the ability to take photos on our phone and send it to someone in a matter of seconds. My parents say they used to have something called a roll of film in your camera,” Patterson Smith said to laughter from the audience.

His is a generation that “snaps and tweets” with a language of their own. “Thank God for spellcheck,” he joked.

Like his teachers before him, he reminded his peers that life goes by quickly. The last four years of high school had gone by in a blur.

Today’s graduates need to find their place in the world and work to make sure the next generation is raised with safe food, clean water and fresh air.

“It’s important that we all take care of ourselves,” he said, adding remember to smile and be kind to others.

Check out next week’s Haliburton Echo for the full Honours and Awards section.



Valedictorian Owen Patterson Smith evaluated the last 18 years in his speech before the graduating class of 2018. He noted that international literacy rates have gone up, advancements in green energy are promising and he marked the advent of the smartphone as being one of the most important societal changes during that time. /JENN WATT Staff

Class of 2018



The class of 2018 with last names from L-Z: Jordan LaPierre, Michael Lessard, Camraen Little, Samuel Longo, Dawson MacDuff, Matthew Manning, Hayden Marra, Connor McAlister, Melinda Mehannie, Rebecca Millar, Skye Miscio, Sydney Moore, Mac Moynes, Rodney Neal, Dawson Nimigon, Carter O'Neill, Emily Parish, Owen Patterson Smith, Adrien Petric, Alexander Petrie, Morgan Phillips, Jackson Picco, Devyn Prentice, Ryan Prentice, Mia Quigley, Darick Reid, Cailynn Robinson, Savannah Robinson, Sulyen Rondeau, Nicholas Rowden, Tymer Ruyter-Robertson, Benjamin Schmidt, Zak Shantz, Jillian Sharp, Kailynn Sikma, Jesse Sisson, Miranda Smith, Owen Smith, Seth Smith, Shelby Stamp, Shelby Stephenson, Katie Stinson, Alec Stoughton, Brendan Taylor, Christopher Trask, Trevor Turner, Lauren Urquhart, Brandon Verstege, Samantha Vick, Brian Wheeler, Zack Williams, Jason Wood, Eric Wootton. /JENN WATT Staff

Soon-to-be graduates make their way through the halls of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School to their commencement ceremony on Thursday evening.



Ryan Prentice received loud applause and cheers from the audience as he made his way across the stage for his graduation on June 28 in Haliburton. /JENN WATT Staff

Upcoming Events On Your Lake

Send your lake events to
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Lake Kashagawigamog

LKO Gives Back: First Annual Fundraising Golf Day

When: Saturday, July 7

We will be fundraising to give back to our local communities! This promises to be a great event for all level of golfers as it will be a golf scramble – a format for golf tournaments emphasizing fun.

Time: 8 a.m. for 18-hole golfers, 10:30 a.m. for 9-hole golfers
 Lunch: The barbecue will be on with gourmet burgers (veggie option) salads and desserts served

Venue: Bancroft Ridge Golf Club – 30 Nicklaus Drive, Bancroft. Contact the clubhouse 613-332-4563 or www.golfbancroftridge.com

Cost: \$65 for 9 holes and \$85 for 18 holes – which includes green fees, power carts, lunch, prizes and a \$10 donation per golfer for the Minden Food Banks and Haliburton 4Cs Food Bank. Online registrations on the LKO website (www.lko.ca) by no later than July 2, but early registration is appreciated for planning purposes.

Miskwabi Area Community Association (MACA)

Annual Meeting - Saturday, July 7

11 a.m. at Airport Strip (Across from Miskwabi Boat Launch, Trapper's Trail)

Bring your own chairs. BBQ to follow.

Rain Day is Sunday, July 8

Glamor Lake Cottagers' Association

Annual General Meeting

Saturday, July 7

Gooderham - Robert McCausland Centre

Doors open 9 a.m.

Meeting 10 a.m. to noon

Brian Cain, President GLCA, 705-447-2018

Salerno (Devil's) Lake Cottagers' Association

Further details on all our events can be found on our website home page www.SDLCA.ca under "2018 Events"

Dock Sale! – We are doing it again this year on Saturday, July 14 from noon till 3 p.m. Remember, one person's trash is another person's treasure!

Concert On The Lake – The Salerno (Devil's) Lake Cottagers' Association presents Claire Rodger with Alan Cohen on keyboards and Bruce Griffin on bass, Live in Concert. Our Concert On The Lake this year will be on Saturday, July 14 at 6:30 p.m. on Salerno Lake. Tickets can be purchased in advance on the event page under www.SDLCA.ca/2018 Events/Concert On The Lake at the same \$10 price. Children under 16 are free. In case of harsh weather, the performance will be held at the Irondale Historical Church. For further information, venue updates, contact Doug Rodger by email rodger.douglas@icloud.com or at 705-447-2896. Please leave a message if no one answers. Rain or shine, there will be a show!

NEW Shock On The Dock – Lakeside Learning – The SDLCA is bringing an interactive 1 to 2 hr workshop designed to increase the awareness and understanding of an AED (Automated external defibrillator). Seconds truly matter with sudden cardiac arrest and we want you to be prepared and

empowered in an emergency! Being hosted dock side on Salerno Lake on Saturday July 21st at 11:00 am location details will be sent to participants via email. Active SDLCA membership required to participate. Register online at www.SDLCA.ca/2018 Events/Shock On The Dock

Kawagama Lake

KLCA (Kawagama Lake) Annual General Meeting (AGM)

July 7, at 10 a.m.

Guest Speaker Heather Auld will speak about Climate Change and how it affects lakes in our area. This presentation is offered free to all members. It will be held at the Dorset Recreation Centre in Dorset. Non-members can purchase a membership to hear the talk.

Moore Lake Property Owners Association

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, July 8 at 9 a.m.

Summerkiss Restaurant at Moore Falls

MLPOA

Annual Golf Tournament

Sunday August 5, 8 a.m.

Beaver Brook Golf Course in Minden

South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents

Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 28

Location: Haliburton Highlands Golf Course at 1 pm.

Best Ball Format (so golfers of all levels are welcome. Sign up as a foursome, a pair or individually) 9 holes of golf Ride on cart, Dinner, Prizes (donations of prizes or if you wish to sponsor "longest drive or closest to the pin" would be greatly appreciated) All for only \$55.00 a person! Contact Patti Goreski (1096 Thistle Lane, 705-286-3108 Cell: 905-242-8214) or Lori Sparks at 416-550-3966 for further details.

Halls/Hawk Lakes Property Owners Association

HHLPOA Golf Scramble

Friday, August 10

Contact Peter@Hallshawkakes.ca for more details

Little Glamor Lake

Annual General Meeting,

Saturday, July 21, 9:30 a.m.,

Gooderham Community Centre

Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association

Annual General Meeting

Saturday, July 7 at 10 a.m. at the Fish Hatchery on Gelert Road

Kushog Lake

Kushog Lake picnic:

Sat., Aug. 4 - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pine Spring Valley Resort, Hwy 35 at Pine Springs

- Decorated Boat Contest: Sail Past at 11 am
- Land & Water Activities for Kids & Adults
- Swap table: Swap your puzzles, games, books, etc

Bring some money for refreshments (and your membership). Also bring lawn chairs, bathing suits, your neighbours and friends.

Call Susan at 705-489-2627 for further information and to volunteer to help out.

Life on Kushog Lake photo contest Deadline: Aug. 31

Email your high-res photos to photos@kushoglake.org.

See www.kushoglake.org for contest rules.

Drag and Spruce Lakes

Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday, July 8

Time: All members meet at 9:30 a.m.

Location: Haliburton Curling Club Area directors meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Ced Hurd Memorial Swim

Saturday, Aug. 4

Registration: 9 a.m., Race Start: 10 a.m.

Coordinators: Aimee Fink 705 519 240-5402, Christine Young 705 457-3622

Location : Leinauer's Beach

Novelty Swim Day

Saturday August 4

Location: Podmore Beach Time 2 p.m.

Coordinators: The Booth Family 705-457-2998

"Please bring your kayaks with you."

Twelve Mile, Little Boshkung Lakes Association

Regatta

Saturday, August 11, 12 to 4 p.m., Twelve Mile Lake Beach, Chambers Rd.

Canning Lake

AGM

Sunday, July 8 (9:30 a.m. for socializing) Meeting at 10 a.m.

At Rigney's Roost, 1037 Hamlin Lane

Golf Tournament, Blairhampton

Saturday, July 21 - 1 p.m. at Blairhampton

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Kayak Canning

Saturday, July 28 - Meet at 9:30; start at 10 a.m.

Meet on the water at the Lithgow waterfront - (west side of the big part of the lake along the shore just west of the point) at 9:30 am. Social paddle along the shoreline with lunch at noon at the Bacik cottage.

Horseshoe Lake Property Owners Association

Rock bass and pike derby

When: Sunday, Aug. 5 (rain or shine)

Where: Muirhead Cottage, 1258 Reynolds Road (705-286-6593.)

The derby is for children and teens up to 18 years of age.

Cost is \$2 per entrant. Bring your rock bass and pike (LIVE) to the Muirhead cottage, throughout the day, to be weighed.

Final weigh in and prize ceremony is at 2 p.m. Fish fry, hot dogs and cold drinks will be served.



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Septics: The Basics

Septic systems are the number one polluter of our lakes and rivers.

The more efficiently your Septic System operates, the less pollution goes into the environment.

The 2 secrets to Septic Health and minimizing lake pollution are: **Bacteria and Time**

Bacteria –Never let anything go down the drain that kills the good bacteria in your system – your system need these bacteria to digest the waste before the water goes back into our water table and lakes.

Time - Your system needs as much time as you can give it to digest the waste you put in before the next load of water arrives. Remember – one drop in = one drop out of your system.

Give your system time by Minimizing Water Use and Spreading It out over Time.

Tip of the Week

ADD A PUMP-OUT TO THE CALENDAR

Every system is different, but don't put off getting your system pumped every three to five years - more frequently if your septic tank is older or single compartment. Both sides of the tank (if two chambers) should be pumped out every service interval. The only time your septic system isn't full is right after it's been pumped. If you can't remember the last time your septic tank was pumped out, it's time to have your septic tank pumped out.

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

Shorelines: The Basics

Without a liver your body would not be able to filter toxins and would die. A Natural shoreline is your lake's liver.

Maintaining and re naturalizing our lake shorelines is one of the 2 most important actions that we can take to protect our lakes. Natural shorelines filter out nutrients such as phosphorous before they get into our lakes and cause algae blooms, weed growth and decreased fish populations. They also reduce erosion and flooding and increase habitat for beautiful creatures such as butterflies, birds, fish and frogs.

90% of life in your lake depends on a Natural shoreline with deep rooted native trees and shrubs.

If 75% of your lake's shoreline is not natural your lake is headed for trouble.

Tip of the Week

SAY NO TO PHOSPHOROUS

Phosphorous provides nutrients for weed and algae growth (yep, like those dreaded blue green algae blooms). Deep rooted native plants act as a filter for phosphorous, keeping it out of the lake. Grass to the lake, on the other hand, doesn't filter much, which increases weed growth and the chance of algae blooms.

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

Prizes!

This Week's Prizes Are:



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The Healthy Lakes Contest brought to you by:



Congratulations!

To Marlene Wiseman

Who gave the correct answer to: Should I spend my weekends cutting my grass by the shore?

Septic inspections underway

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

Of 964 properties with cottages on the land in Dysart et al, 85 septic inspections have been completed, according to Karl Korpela, chief building official, at a June 25 council meeting.

Korpela said there were just two and a half months left this year to be able to do inspections, and that a social media blitz informing people to get their septic inspected would launch soon.

"Of those 85 inspections, there has been a 20 per cent failure rate that can be attributed to extra bedrooms that have been added since the septic was approved as well as physical problems with the septic system itself," Tamara Wilbee, CAO, told the Echo. "In some cases, these physical problems could be minor fixes or they could be needing more serious remediation."

Korpela said a recent septic demonstration on Kennisis Lake showed the importance of re-inspections.

"It turned out to be a complete failure, but the owner had no idea," he said. "He was flushing the

toilet, it was going somewhere, but not finding its way to the septic. Without this type of inspection we would never have known. It was quite the experience and really shows why this type of programming is important."

"People don't have to wait until the program rolls around to their lake," said Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts. "If you believe in a healthier lake, you don't have to wait for our program to roll around for your own satisfaction that your septic is working."

According to the septic re-inspection bylaw schedule, Kennisis Lake, Little Kennisis Lake and Paddy's Bay are the lakes included in Area 1 re-inspections, which began this year and will be completed in 2019.

Area 2 will be inspected beginning in 2020 and completed by the end of 2022. Lakes include Redstone Lake, Little Redstone Lake, Bitter Lake, Burdock Lake, Tedious Lake, Coleman Lake, Green Lake, Lipsy Lake, Bat Lake, Pivot Lake, Silverlynn Lake, Guilford Lake, Pine Lake and Cranberry Lake.

Area 3 begins inspections in 2023 and will be complete by 2024. Lakes include Haliburton Lake, Percy Lake, Oblong Lake, Eagle Lake, Moose Lake, West Lake, Basshaunt Lake and Bushwolf Lake.

Area 4 begins in 2025 and will be completed by the

end of 2027. Lakes include Drag Lake, Spruce Lake, South Portage Lake, Long Lake, Miskwabi Lake, Negaunee Lake, Haas Lake (Paradise), Blue Hawk Lake, Loon Lake, Wenona Lake, Barnum Lake, Hurricane Lake, Head Lake, Grass Lake, Kashagawigamog Lake, and Black Lake.

Area 5 begins 2028 and will be complete by 2030. Lakes include Grace Lake, Farquhar Lake, Allen Lake, Big Barnum Lake, East Lake, Straggle Lake, Little Straggle Lake, Charlie George Lake, Kennaway Lake, Benoir Lake, and Elephant Lake.

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— Tamara Wilbee

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Recent senior games district results

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton/Muskoka Senior Games board of directors would like to congratulate all the participants of the Summer Games 2018.

It is not just the results that participants receive, but also the people they meet and the fun they have that make the games fulfilling.

Results of the Haliburton/Muskoka District Summer Games 2018 Ontario Senior Summer Games:

Convenor Bill Buckley ran crokinole on June 13 at the Gravenhurst Seniors Centre: gold went to Bill Buckley and Lorne Robertson, silver to Bernice Sopher and Max McKelvey, and bronze to Alice Schenk and Richard Clark.

Convenor Lorne Robertson ran the shuffleboard final Tuesday, June 19 at the Gravenhurst Seniors Centre: gold went to Bob and Gary Cockburn from Gravenhurst; silver to Bill Buckley and Lorne Robertson from Gravenhurst; and bronze to Connie Sawyer and Bev Alexander from Minden.



Flicking for gold

Congratulations to the winning crokinole team of Bill Buckley and Lorne Robertson from Gravenhurst, who won gold. Silver was won by Bernice Sopher and Max McKelvey from Gravenhurst and Minden, and bronze was won by Alice Schenk and Richard Clark from Gravenhurst at the OSGA 55+ crokinole district event on June 13 at the Gravenhurst Senior Centre. From left, McKelvey, Sopher, Robertson, Buckley, Schenk and Clark. Convenor Bill Buckley ran the event. Gold medal winners are eligible to advance to the OSGA 55+ provincials later this summer. /Submitted by Bev Kerr

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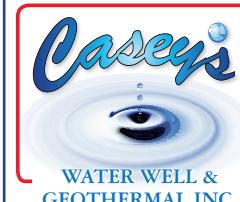


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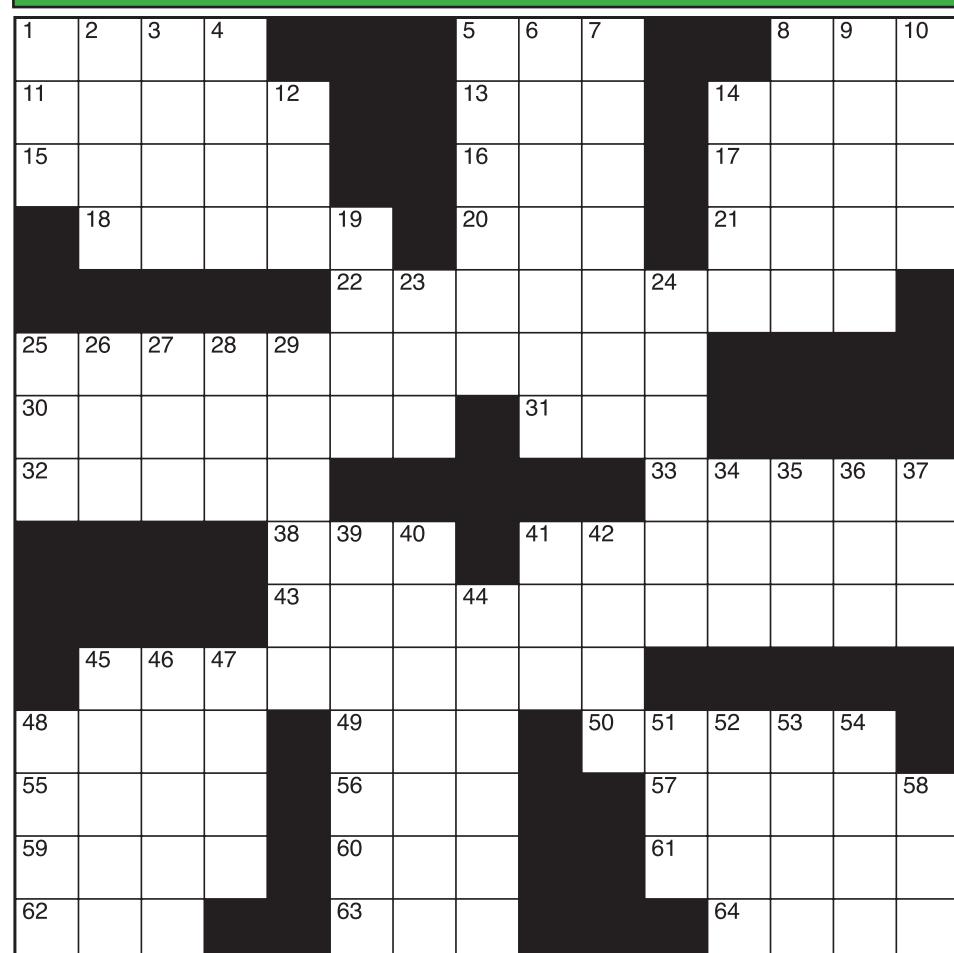
Canada Day was well attended here. Hardy folks did not let the incredibly hot weather deter them from coming out to celebrate. Good music, a short program and fine refreshments all helped.

Bethany Houghton and Ernie Demuth entertained with music that included

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- They —
- Electromotive force
- "McVicar" director
- Monetary unit
- Mother of Hermes
- Broadway actress
- Daisy
- Tobacco mosaic virus
- Expression of surprise
- African financial intermediaries
- Fully ripe egg
- Soothes the skin
- Editors write them
- Nashville-based rockers
- Surgical tube
- Lasting records
- Member of Ghanese tribe
- Being in a vertical position
- Spasmodic contraction
- Cartilage disks
- Domestic help
- A way of drying out
- Small sponge cake
- Distinctive practice or philosophy
- Sword

CLUES DOWN

- Academic degree
- Expression of sorrow or pity
- Large, stocky lizard
- Romanian river
- Stellar
- A way to change
- Surround completely
- A Philly footballer
- Dinosaur shuang — aurus
- Slowly disappear
- Large antelope
- Not nice
- Piece of footwear
- Newt
- Seriously mentally ill
- Kilogram force (abbr.)

CLUES ACROSS

- Type of missile (abbr.)
- Home to various animals
- American comedian Tim
- Scores perfectly
- A major division of geological time
- Spiritual leader
- Unhappy
- Unit of force (abbr.)
- Door part
- Terrorist group
- Negative
- Time zone
- A blacksmith's workshop
- Baked dessert
- A way to perceive uniquely
- Breeze through
- Dry white wine drink
- Treated with iodine
- Not thorough
- Famous museum
- Supplements with difficulty
- Polynesian language
- Bangladesh capital (var. sp.)
- and flowed
- Excessively theatrical actors
- Prejudice
- Swiss river
- Nonsense (slang)
- "Luther" actor
- Resist authority (slang)
- Pinch

Answers on page 22

a number of Canadian songs as people gathered and later while refreshments were enjoyed in the cooler shaded area by the lake.

As has become a tradition each Canada Day, a new flag was raised with members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 624 and Ladies Auxiliary attending to that.

Luann Coghlan of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild led the proceedings. Greetings and best wishes were extended by Joan Barton, Highlands East councillor, and Hilda Clark of the WHG. Thanks to Ken Noble for having the sound system in fine order.

Refreshments were enjoyed – especially the cold drinks. Thanks to Legion LA for preparing the delicious hearty sandwiches. Canada Day cupcakes gave a colourful sweet touch. More music by Ernie and Bethany added greatly to this social time.

A number of guests enjoyed a tour of the museum led by summer student guide Sydney Little, which would have also given them a chance to view some of this summer's special display of historic cookbooks.

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild appreciates having the Canada Day celebrations at this National Historic Site with support of the Municipality of Highlands East and the community. Special thanks to family members and friends of the WHG for all their efforts.

There has been sad news as well this week. Passing from our midst have been Tom Elliott of Highland Grove, Donald Finlay of Tory Hill and Ken Gainforth of Haliburton. Sympathy is extended to their families. We will remember them more fully next time.



Fireworks glow red in West Guilford. /Photo by Marie Zahab



A stunning fireworks show. /Photo by Ismet Berisha



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Canada



Katie Golec, a young and upcoming designer with Haliburton-based ACM Designs, won a national award in the "Challenging Budget under \$8,000" category for the Decorators and Designers Association of Canada's annual Decorating and Design Competition. It was awarded at the association's annual general meeting and awards gala on April 23 in Toronto. The silver she won is the first nationally recognized award for the 25-year-old, originally from Bruce Mines. She has lived in Haliburton for more than two years./DARREN LUM Staff

Designer earns national recognition

DARREN LUM
Staff Reporter

Katie Golec earned national recognition several months ago for a design inspired by the Highlands' beauty.

The 25-year-old junior designer with Haliburton-based ACM Designs received a national design award from the Decorators and Designers Association of Canada at its annual gala event on April 23 in Toronto.

Her design updated a three bedroom, one bathroom lakeside rental unit, demonstrating interior decoration, and earned her a win in the Best in the Challenging Budget under \$8,000 category.

Golec said this award affirms her progress in the design industry.

"With that, obviously, I was honoured I won an award like that. It definitely means a lot," she said.

The competition has been held for 24 years and included entries across the country. The criteria includes complexity, concept, materials and functionality.

Golec has also been locally recognized for her skills, having been nominated for the Young Professional of the Year award by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

"In Haliburton, we're definitely a part of a lot of really talented and skilled young professionals so just being [included with that] group with all of those really amazing individuals is really ... I felt really grateful," she said.

She said ACM Designs often brings the "outdoors in throughout all of our designs."

Golec is originally from Bruce Mines, a town with a population of 566, located on the north shore of Lake Huron, 70 kilometres from Sault Ste. Marie.

The Algonquin College design graduate ran her own design business in the summers while she was in school in the Algoma district, with the assistance of a government grant.

Golec said she is working on learning more about designing for an aging population. Along with employer and men-

tor Andria Cowan Molyneaux, she has a certification in design for aging in place from the Toronto Monogram Design Centre.

This approach accounts for what may be required of people as they age, such as a "curbless" shower with continuous flooring, a wider doorway and floors without transitions.

Love initially brought Golec to the Highlands two years ago.

"Every time I came here I became more and more in love with the county and everybody that lived here," she said.

Although she loved the job she had back home, it was time to follow her heart.

"I just wanted to take a risk and move here because I loved the area and everybody that lived here so much. I came into the area and shortly after moving here that's when I was introduced to Andria Cowan Molyneaux from ACM Designs. From there we started working together and the business started growing and growing."

Golec has been with ACM Designs for more than year. She looks forward to learning more from the company founder, Cowan Molyneaux, who she said is her mentor.

She acknowledged the skill of the entire team, including co-worker Jody Lavergne.

"We've already grown the business so much. I can't believe how much we've achieved in the small duration time we've been together. I can't wait for all the growth that we'll see in the future and the things we will achieve," she said.

Although she has made the Highlands her home, she regularly returns to the Algoma District to visit family. She has just one older sister, but comes from a large family with more than 20 cousins.

The thing that has surprised her about living in the Haliburton Highlands is how much there is to do.

"The best thing about living here is to be part of living in such a beautiful county and being able to work here and be successful here," she said.

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Brian Kelly, Sustainability Manager, Region of Durham

Experiences with "Towards Resilience" Community Climate Adaptation Plan. Presented by Environment Haliburton!
When: July 5, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St. Minden
Admission by Donation
For more details, please contact Ryan Sisson. rission@gmail.com or visit www.environmenthaliburton.org

Introduction to Growing Raspberries

Do you have an unruly raspberry patch that doesn't produce much fruit? Join us to learn how to get more fruit year after year!
Presented by: Barbara Kraus, Haliburton County Master Gardeners
When: Thursday, July 5 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Where: Eagle Lake Community Garden, 2405 Eagle Lake Rd. (County Rd. 6), in Eagle Lake Cost: \$15 at time of registration
Register online at abbeygardens.ca or contact Cara at 705-457-4769; email cara@abbeygardens.ca.
This year the DigIn! series is being offered in partnership with the Haliburton Highlands Community Garden Network at community garden locations in Haliburton County.

Jazz at the Museum VI:

Ernesto Cervini's Turboprop

Presented by Canoe FM's Jazz at the 45th This 2018 Juno nominated sextet, is "innovative and electrifying with infectious energy!"
When: July 7, 7:30 p.m. - two amazing sets of all star, all Canadian jazz
Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum - 66 Museum Road
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Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Association: Art on the Dock

When: Saturday July 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday July 8, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Studio type tour featuring 37 artists and artisans at 17 locations around Kennisis Lake. Exhibitors will be showing and selling their fine arts and crafts on their docks, decks and in their Cottages, lofts and garages. Visitors are welcome to tour the lake by boat or by road.
Art on the Dock signs will designate the locations. <https://www.klcoa.org/events/art-on-the-dock/>

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Vacation Bible School

When: Monday July 9 to Friday July 13, 9 a.m. to noon
Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. Haliburton

Cost: \$5.00 per child for the week

Who: Children ages 4-10

How: Contact Jan at 705-455-9195, email: jancox1@sympatico.ca or call the church at 705-457-1891. Website: haliburtonuc.com

Cooking classes for six weeks

When: starting July 10, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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When: Saturday July 14, 12 to 1 p.m.
Where: St. George's Church, 617 Mountain St. Haliburton
Luba Cargill-violin accompanied by Bill Gliddon-piano
Drop in for any part of the hour. Bring lunch if you wish.
Admission: optional donation



Haliburton Highlands Secondary School media arts students from left, Jamie Holden, Emily Mathers, Storm Brannigan and Morgan Burke took top place for best PSA in a field of student group entries of the TLDSB Student Film Festival on June 12 at I.E. Weldon Secondary School in Lindsay.
/Submitted by Alexis David

PSA takes top place at TLDSB Film Festival

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School media arts students came away from the annual TLDSB Student Film Festival with the best PSA video and a full understanding of what it takes to produce a movie.

An emotion-laden short video showing how a drunk driver can take the life of a young girl doing the right thing was at the heart of how Storm Brannigan, Morgan Burke, Jamie Holden and Emily Mathers came home with best PSA in a field of student group entries.

Their teacher Alexis David was proud of how her students overcame their challenges to complete the project, Victims of Impaired Driving.

"The work they put into it and the technical aspect of it. They had a lot of technical difficulties with our computers and our programs. Things like crashing. They just persevered," she said.

David thought the Highlands student PSA was chosen for its message, punctuated by an emotionally provocative ending.

The tragedy is made all the more real by the sound of a heart monitor's prolonged beep, signalling a flat line. It left her with goosebumps.

"To me that was an impactful moment. That's when everybody seems to get goosebumps. That to me is what made them stand out. It really made their message basically hit home with a lot of people," she said. "Also hearing from the mother's point of view and the daughter's."

There were a variety of categories judged including PSA, best animation, best narrative, best technical skill, best overall message, best directing, best spoof ad, best documentary and best overall film.

The top three videos for each were shown, followed by the announcement of the winner on June 12 at I.E. Weldon Secondary School in Lindsay.

They were surprised at being named a winner.

They didn't have any idea they were in the running until they saw their work showcased. The competition was very good and the other PSAs' messages were on eating disorders, bullying, drug abuse, and mental health in school.

For Emily and Jamie, getting the shots was the most

enjoyable part of the two week process in making this video, which was originally a class project.

One week for editing and one week for filming.

Videos were marked on messaging, whether they were engaging, facts presented, technical aspects, time of the video (one minute and longer being best), reflection of message and an explanation of shots.

The breakdown included four levels of sophistication – four being the highest.

This group worked well together.

They shared an openness with one another that facilitated strong collaboration.

No one was afraid to speak their mind for the end result of a stronger video.

Both of the Grade 10 students said the greatest challenge was working with the editing software. Getting to produce this work at the end of the year allowed for better comprehension of the required editing software.

Working through this process has given them a greater appreciation for what is required of movies and videos.

"It's incredible they put that much time and effort and money in that stuff," Emily said.

Earlier in the year, this group came together for a stop-motion project that required far less time.

This experience was beneficial for their winning project in terms of the types of shots such as the POV shot they effectively used to convey feeling from the tragic outcome in the PSA.

They not only took top spot with their video Victims of Impaired Driving, but were also awarded two film-making pieces of equipment, a shotgun microphone and a mobile phone gimbal, which stabilizes the camera for moving capture.

It will serve as a legacy and give future students who take this course an opportunity to work with better equipment, Jamie said.

"It just benefits media arts classes and whatever classes that might need that."

The students' film can be found on the TLDSBstudent-films YouTube page or by following this link: <https://youtu.be/wtBLfRykb9Q>.

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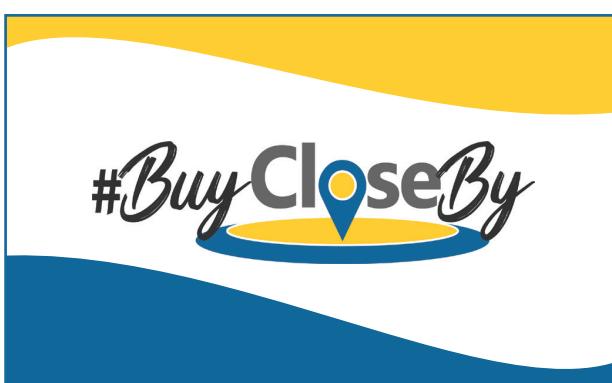
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To Dr. Bottum, the Acute care nurses and ER nurses at the Haliburton Hospital. The Community nurse, Liz Foote, the Paramedics who came to assist on many occasions, also the Fire Department on an icy winter morning. The PSW's Colbeigh, Susan and Margery. The St. George's Church family who have supported us with their prayers and finally Dwaine and Lori Lloyd and their staff at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home who have guided us through this difficult time with sensitivity, warmth and understanding.

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Graveside Service & Reception

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Beloved husband of Kay. Dear father of Lynn of Vancouver Island, Lee of Stroud, Sean and his wife Angela of Tory Hill. Loving poppa to Jacob, Jonathon, Amy and Cole. Dear brother of Ian of Penticton. Missed by many nieces and nephews.

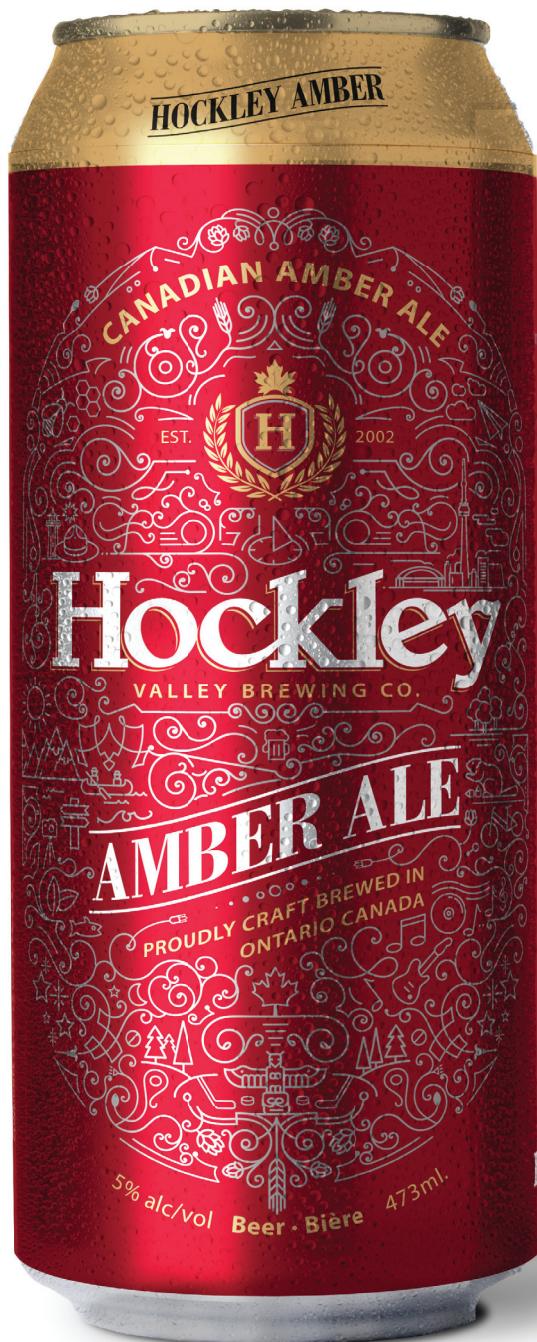
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A Celebration of Donald's Life will be held at a later date.



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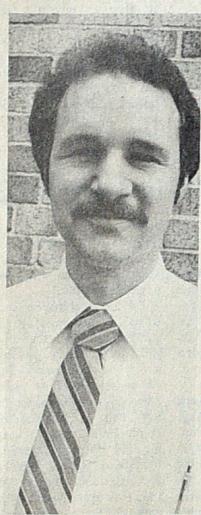
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Fort Irwin seniors centre opens doors

Large crowd, local politicians on hand Monday for opening ceremonies

by MARTIN BIEFER
Echo Editor

The citizens of the Fort Irwin area made a new beginning Monday, as they officially opened a new community centre for senior citizens.

The impressive wooden structure, located on land donated by the Municipality of Dysart et al., overlooks Haliburton Lake about three miles north of the hamlet.

A crowd of nearly 100 people attended the official opening ceremonies Monday afternoon.

Shirley Mark acted as M.C., and introduced guest speakers Bill Scott (Victoria-Haliburton MP), John

Eakins (Victoria-Haliburton MPP) and Dysart reeve Murray Fearrey.

First to speak was Scott, who mentioned he had given up a chance to meet "Prince Charles and Princess Diana...in Ottawa this afternoon." The MP said he would be leaving for the nation's capital immediately following the ceremony.

He presented Shirley Mark with two important gifts -- a portrait of Queen Elizabeth, and a Canadian flag. It was the veterans, said the MP, who preserved our society -- and now, as senior citizens, deserve facilities like the new one at Fort Irwin.

He said residents of the High-

lands were blessed with "beautiful lakes and trees," and called the new centre a sign of progress.

MPP John Eakins said he welcomed the opportunity to "get away from downtown Toronto" on such a lovely day.

He said he had to "echo what Bill (Scott) says...this is one of the most beautiful parts of the country."

The community centre, he said, "will be a focal point...a place where people can meet together."

Dysart reeve Murray Fearrey performed the official duty of cutting the ribbon and declaring the centre officially open.

The Haliburton Lake area, he

said, "was one of the first areas where cottage development took place" in the municipality, back in the 1950's. As such, added the reeve, there are more residents in the area than any other lakes in the area.

He said Dysart Coun. Glen Hodgson, who represents the Fort Irwin ward, would be "more than ready" to deliver any concerns of ratepayers to the council table.

A team effort

The most striking fact about the entire project is that volunteers did all the construction work.

Building fund chairman Joan Filman told the Echo that the bulk of

the funding for the project came from a federal New Horizons grant. The municipality donated the land, and volunteers, ably led by foreman Jim DeYoung, did "a marvellous job" in putting up the building.

It will be used for senior citizen activities -- such as luncheons, card parties, and other get-togethers, she said.

The centre, equipped with a kitchen, washrooms and a large dance floor, was tested out by the large crowd, who sampled sandwiches over tea and coffee.

Lill Haight and Mayme Douglas assisted the reeve during the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Katimavik plans starting to roll

Dysart's Katimavik project began in earnest last Thursday afternoon, as project supervisor "B" Rootham met with officials from the various sponsor groups in the project.

One of the first decisions made was to find more volunteers for the committee.

Katimavik is a unique federally-sponsored plan whereby teams of volunteers (youngsters 17 to 21, from all across Canada) carry out community projects -- at no cost, save that of materials and supervision, to the project sponsor.

Plans in store for the next three months include Head Lake park development and maintenance, decorative tree planting, planter construction, river and lakeshore line stabilization (Gabion basket installation) ball field maintenance, and participation in municipal summer events.

The second three-month rotation

sors" be asked to take part in the program -- so that some of the responsibilities could be delegated more easily.

Coun. Baker suggested that local senior citizens be asked to help. Other possible assistance will be sought from local service clubs and organizations.

Rootham told the committee that meetings would be held about once every month.

The committee is to be responsible for welcome and farewell events for each of the three month rotations, the setting up of a "community integration committee" to provide participants with information on what to do and see in the community, and aiding the billeting process.

The municipality of Dysart et al has agreed to sponsor the first of these functions.

Committee meets for first time

of volunteers will carry out construction and maintenance on cross-country ski trails, will improve wood lots, build picnic tables, build seats at Indian wells, and work at the seniors drop-in centre.

The third rotation will see a continuance of wood lot improvements, picnic tables and toilet construction, painting at the arena and museum, work at the art gallery, churches, involvement with syrup producers.

Ian Douglas will supervise municipal project workers. Chris Lynd and Betty Smith will supervise workers helping at the Rails' End Gallery; Gaylene Johnson will monitor work at the Haliburton Highlands Museum.

Along with Coun. Dorothy Baker of Dysart the sponsor group representatives form the "Local Katimavik Sponsor Committee."

Share the load
As details of what the LKSC became more clear, committee members Chris Lynd suggested that more members "who are not spon-

Billeting

A LKSC sub-committee will handle the job of finding families willing to take billets. There will be about 10 people looking for billets for a two week period each rotation, said Rootham -- and sponsoring families will receive \$6 daily for their assistance.

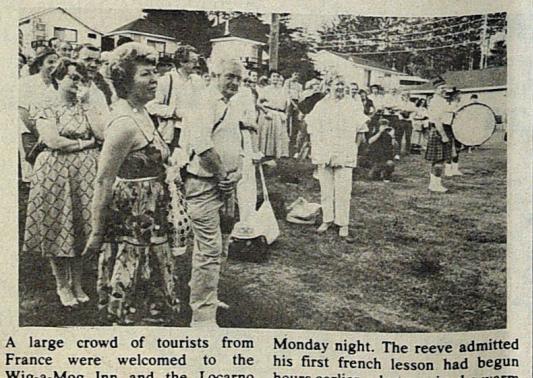
The committee met with official Barry Bloom from the project in Barrie Monday night to discuss more details of the program.

An enthusiastic Rootham said everything is "coming together quite smoothly" now.

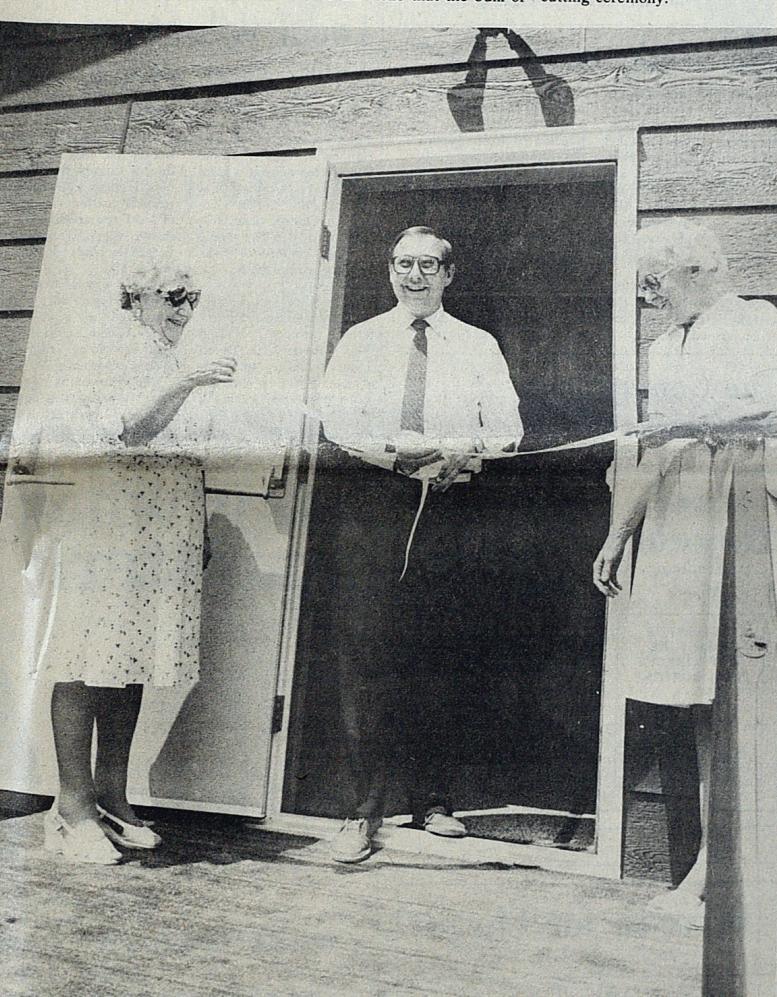
The committee will also be asked to assist in the drafting of a list of resources, people places and events for Katimavik learning programs.

Among the programs are nutrition and well being, the use of a second language, active leisure, social-cultural events, billeting, international awareness, environment and technology, and work skills.

Anyone wishing to assist should contact B Rootham at 457-1676.



A large crowd of tourists from France were welcomed to the Wig-a-Mog Inn and the Locarno Resort in their native tongue by Monday night. The reeve admitted his first French lesson had begun hours earlier -- but received a warm round of applause for his efforts.



The hot sun blistered down on a crowd of about 100 people Monday afternoon as Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey (centre) cut the ribbon to open a new senior citizens centre near Fort Irwin. With the reeve, at left, is Lill Haight. To the right of the picture is Mayme Douglas.

Environment ministry will study sewage systems at Haliburton lakes

The Ministry of the Environment will inspect and evaluate sewage systems at Clement Lake and the south bay of Haliburton Lake this year -- and property owners will have to foot the repair bill if their systems are sub-standard.

Data supplied by the ministry's cottage pollution control program shows that 979 private sewage disposal systems were inspected on local lakes last year. The areas surveyed in 1982 included Boshkung Lake, Dudman Lake (also known as Wenona Lake), Long Lake and Negaunee Lake, as well as part of the Lake of Bays. Lakefront properties in Muskoka District and Simcoe County were also examined.

The findings indicated that 32.1 per cent of lakefront systems were performing satisfactorily, 38.9 per cent were "ser-

iously substandard", 20.6 per cent were "discharging wastewater or solid waste onto the ground surface", about 0.9 per cent were direct polluters and 7.4 per cent were unclassified after the initial detection survey.

Owners must pay

Property owners surveyed must, at their own cost, carry out the necessary "corrective work" if their system is found to be substandard, according to Wayne Moore of the ministry.

The report shows that "as of Dec. 31, 1982, 181 agreements for corrective work to be carried

out had been signed by the owners. Corrections...had been completed and inspected for 153 systems, but 113 systems remained uncorrected."

Moore said that since December, the number of uncorrected systems in Haliburton County had dropped to just 10... "a very good total."

Studies were carried out, he said, with the full cooperation of local health units and cottagers associations.

He agreed that it was "unfortunate" that no grants exist to aid owners of property on recreational lakes in carrying out work. Grants do exist to aid residential property owners, he pointed out.

Since 1974 more than 10,000 cottagers and lakefront property owners have taken part in the survey.

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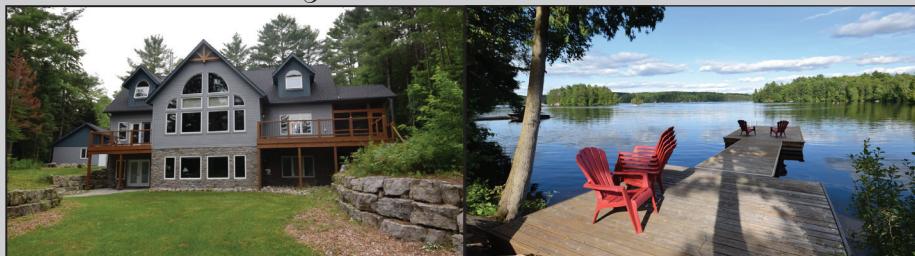
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